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Mr. Pindell Puts the Administration in His Debt.

Mr. Henry M. Pindell has come to the rescue of the Wilson administration. His good judgment in declining the Ambassadorship to Russia has extricated the President from a serious embarrassment of his own creation. When Mr. Wilson discovered that the bungling of "Jim Ham" Lewis and Secretary Bryan had made the nomination of Mr. Pindell inadvisable he should have looked elsewhere for an ambassador. He should have seen that a nominee associated in the public mind with the ridiculous outgivings of the aureole-whiskered Senator from Illinois could not be taken seriously in this country-to say nothing of his meeting the more exacting standards of opinion abroad. Whatever his individual merit, Mr. Pindell could never have lived down the bombast of Lewis's "Have-you-a-littledaughter" prose poem.

It is to the appointee's credit that he possessed a keener sense of the fitness of things than has been shown by those officially charged with the conduct of the diplomatic service. His conclusion that it would be "more delicate for me to decline the appointment than to accept it" is the first ray of common sense to shoot through a highly mysterious transaction. It is an illuminating word of wisdom to the appointive powers at Washington which have so frequently confused the conditions under which a man should rush into diplomacy and those under which he should keep out of it.

By returning his nomination Mr. Pindell has retained his own self-respect and won the respect of the public. He has done the country a service in which his grandchildren and great-grandchildren can take more pride than if he had gone to St. Petersburg on a "care free" basis and spent his half-time term, according to the Lewis prospectus, in junketing through the capitals of Northern Europe.

Futile Fines for Criminal Chauffeurs.

Arrested for violating one of the traffic regulations. a chauffeur announced to the patrolman that he had 'broken two cops" and would "break" him if he insisted on doing his duty. The patrolman insisted, and proved his case. Whereupon the chauffeur received from the magistrate before whom he was arraigned yesterday a sentence of twenty days in jail or a fine of \$100. Naturally he chose the fine. Twice before in the last year he had been in court. Each time he was fined for speeding, the fine

This case shows pretty well the futility of trying to protect life from the speed maniacs and the criminally careless chauffeurs under the present fining system. It explains why 302 persons were killed by automobiles in this city last year, as the National Highways Protective Society r-ports. Fines appareatly make no more impression on the chauffeur than they do on the wealthy smuggler. Jail sentences, backed up by a revocation of the driver's Heense, might be more effective.

The Problem of the Unemployed.

According to estimates made by the Association for Improving the Condition of the Poor there are 325,000 men without work in this city at presenta condition worse than in many years, with the possible exception of the winter of 1907-'08. To this number of unemployed must be added, without doubt, many thousands of women, for the difficulty of obtaining work for women and girls has already driven some of them to demonstrations like that at Cooper Union the other night. It is a discouraging problem which not all the charitable organizations and official employment bureaus can solve.

Investigation does not bring much comfort to the desperate man hunting work, knowing that his children are hungry at home, yet it is to the results of the various official investigations into the "unemployment" situation that the most hopeful are turning for the best suggestions for meeting its needs. The general improvement of business conditions, coupled with resumption of outdoor work as soon as weather conditions permit, will relieve the pressure to some extent. Meantime is is to be hoped the city authorities can give some aid by adopting the suggestion of Charities Commissioner Kingsbury that some, at least, of the workless be employed on municipal work, even at street sweeping, until they can get something better.

Governor Glynn's Judicial Appointments.

Governor Glynn's first judicial appointments will be received with general approval. To fill the vacancy in the Court of Appeals beach caused by the election of Willard Bartlett to the Chief Judgeship he has chosen William B. Hornblower, Mr. Hornblower has been a leader of the bar of this city for many years, and in his political activities he has always been a stanch anti-Tammany Demo erat. He has worked for progress and honesty in municipal administration, and it was his political independence that brought about his rejection by the United States Senate when nominated by President Cleveland to be an Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court. Senator David B. Hill, his implacable enemy, insisted upon the observance of the tradition of Senatorial courtesy, and the Senate, then Republican, yielded to his personal protests against Mr. Hornblower's confirmation Senator Hoar, the chairman of the Judiciary Committee, afterward expressed regret for the part he had taken in securing an adverse report from the

Judiciary Committee. Mr. Cardozo is designated to serve as an extra member of the court. He was elected to the Supreme Court last fall in this district on the fusion

ticket, and his present assignment upon a judicial service of only one month is an unusual distinction His legal ability is, however, beyond question.

Mr. Weeks's nomination will give satisfaction to many New Yorkers, who regretted his defeat for Supreme Court Judge last fall on the Tammany ticket. He got a generous support outside Tam many and ran 24,000 votes ahead of Mr. McCall. He served a short appointive term as Justice in

The Conviction of Cassidy.

If there was any doubt of the conviction of 'Lonesome Joe" Cassidy it was resolved by his own testimony on the stand. The "roll" that he carried, the smiling contempt for even a pretence 4.58 of accounts, the whole sordid story of a Supreme Court nomination made and published to conven-Entered at the Postoffice at New York as Second Class Mall tion delegates waiting in a saloon for the boss's decision, could have but one meaning. In quickly subtle stuff. finding Cassidy and his aid, Walter, guilty, the

The bucolic simplicity of Queens County does not prevail everywhere. Other bosses have been educated beyond the childish pleasure that comes from "fat roll" in the pocket. The raw methods of a Cassidy are bad form in higher circles.

But who doubts that the buying and selling of fat judicial plums is essentially different because the methods are more refined? "Smiling Joe" was the country bumpkin of Tammany Hall. His one crime, from that organization's point of view, was the fatal crime in politics of being "too raw" and getting 'caught with the goods.'

Exit Frawley, for Reform's Sake.

Strange are the workings of reform in politics. It plucks from us our fairest and best. Once it sent back to private life a Sulzer, who wooed it too lustily. Now it is about to administer the knockout to Frawley, "the Adon's of the Senate," because he woos it not at all, not understanding or sympathizing with the modern trend of politics. Sulzer, pursued by Frawley, used to admit that he was yearning to retire to the farm. Instead, he retired to the throbbing bosom of the East Side and got a return ticket to Albany. And now Frawley, finding reform-even of the Tammany brand-not all his youthful fancy painted it, announces his retirement to the farm, there to sit by the fireside and ponder the changes which a few short months an

It was Frawley who vociferated until the Senate hamber re-echoed the noble words: "They've been investigating Tammany for more than a hundred years, but they never got enough to put anybody in jail." But times have changed since Frawley headed the Sulzer hunt and set a new pace in investigating. Now there's no knowing where Whitman or a legislative committee may land a boss; direct primary laws are making it difficult to be certain of being even a district leader. The Big Boss's own bank books aren't sacred any more. The times are out of joint.

The Senate will miss Frawley; he was one of the best legislators who ever fathered a prizefight bill. Yet who so bold as to stay him? He goes at the behest of reform.

Another Girdle Round About the Earth.

Flying refuses to become an old story so long as new skies remain to be conquered and men are ready, life in hand, to attempt them. The proposal for the Panama-Pacific flight affronts the imagination. Yet the response from aviators is prompt and enthusiastic, and apparently only a large enough reward-comparable with the expense involvedwas needed to start these circumnavigators on their way

It is all but four centuries since the first circumnavigator sailed out by the strait which bears his name and home by the southern seas around the Cape of Good Hope. The chart for the airmen lies far away from his route, for the obvious reason that dry land is scarce in the southern bemiair voyaging. In the Far Nort's the Atlantic offers the only long ocean obstacles, and these can be kept well under the one thousand mile mark by touching at Greenland and Iceland.

Phenomenal speed is not probable in any event. The extraordinary flight of Jules Vedrines from Paris to Cairo, a matter of 2,550 miles, took over a month. And time for rest and repairs is certain to make the trip around the world anything but a Puck's flitting. The record by rail and steamship of less than thirty-six days will scarcely be

In plain fact, the Pacific-Panama race will offer a far greater test of the perfection and endurance of the human machine than of whirring engine and world. wings.

Thrones Not What They Were.

The advent of a new pretender to one throne s followed by the voluntary renunciation of the scarcely less hopeless pretendership to another. There was much rejoicing the other day among Bonapartists over the birth of a son to Prince Victor Napoleon, a grandson to "Plon-Plon" and a great-grandson to the King of Westphalia. Probably there is some satisfaction in maintaining a direct line of claimants generation after generation. But we should be entertained to see at what rates Lloyd's would insure the youngster's expectation of accession to the throne.

Now Manuel, lately of Portugal, renounces his laims to restoration. This is done voluntarily, though upon it was conditioned his marriage with the Princess Augustine of Hohenzollern-Sigmaringen. There is a refreshing novelty in the refusal of a non-reigning prince to let his daughter wed an ex-King unless the latter would pledge him- Those Kids Were Bad, but We'll Forgive and Let Your Future London and originated a press hoax, in to be allowed to deliberately encourage it self never to try to be King again.

There is reported to be a degree of agitation in that other branch of the Braganza family, to which Manuel has remitted his pretendership, with even some talk of a restorationist uprising. But we should doubt if it comes to much. Duke Michael has only eleven names to Manuel's thirteen, and he is too advanced in years to play a dashing and daring part. Besides, it must be remembered that Manuel is of the house of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha as well as of Braganza, and when a Coburger renounces his claim to a throne we may be sure there is nothing in it worth holding on to.

The Hon, Harry Lane, of Oregon, seems to want to relieve the Hon. Benjamin R. Tillman, of South the United States Senate.

President Huerta would at least create merriment if he should send to the Mexican Congress a "Murphy must go" messaget

The Conning Tower

DULL THOUGHTS ABOUT SHARP ANIMALS.

The Portentine

PORTENTINE.

"Your letter," wrote Mr. Wilson to Mr. Pindell, does great credit to your delicate sense of propriety and serves to increase, if that were pe sible, my admiration for you." Your letter, Mr. President, serves to increase, if that were possible. our admiration for you as considerable phraser of

Still, the very word "pindling -grab it from Webster, as we had to-means "delicate." It seems to be a portmanteau word, made of "dwindling" and "pinched." Which also is not so far off.

WHO TOLD YOU OUR SECRET?

[From Pease & Elliman's Indicator.]

Real estate firms are great little institutions, nor s it any wonder their business is always so large. Semetimes a landlord will see to it that a window or a ceiling is repaired within six months of the time the tenant enters the complaint.

And observe the notice that appears in the elevator of a St. Nicholas avenue apartment house:

Hall boys must be very punctual in answering tele-phones elevator delivering mail and observing the following rules, which is their respective duty serv-ing each in turn in a systematical way.

No lounging in the halls vestibules and stoop and parents should instruct their children likewise to avoid hard feelings between them and hall boys who must observe the rules, no dogs allowed on the roof.

Lights must be turned on when it is needed throughout the house, but hall bey should use his ewn judgement as to when, all electric light must be put out at 19 P M sharp and a small gas light on each landing until it is sufficiently light in the morning. Hall boys must not neglect their duty during the hours that such is imposed on them and must be polite and obliging, halls must be kept presentable

THE DIARY OF OUR OWN SAMUEL PEPYS.

January 31-With Mistress Davidson to the play louse and saw "The Dear Fool," as tenuous a piece as ever I saw, and without value soever But Mistress Eva Moore and H. V. Esmond did act well enough, and seemed pleasant enough, too, for Mrs. D. and I did meet them when the was done. Thence home, where Mistress Alma is come to dinner and we had each a stoup of Rhenish, and then came Earl Biggers and Eleanor, whom I had not seen since when she was a journalist-lady in St. Botolph's Town, and she is grown even more personable and fair-spoke than ever. Much merry discourse till late, of many

February 1-For a game at pool with Sheldon Lewis the playactor, but he had neither luck nor skill, what with baving gone without slumber all trial field? the night before, so I did beat him. Walked then to my office, a fine day it was, too, and I was loth to stop within doors and seriven away at petty writings. Which I did, natheless,

2-Came D. Fales the coledge student to my house and I took him for a walk through the town, shewing him the great sights, and buying a posy for his the number of unemployed women is apbutton-hole, and one for myself, too. With C. parently so large. Thompson the barrister and Allen Broomhall the New York, Jan. 30, 1914. bond-salesman to luncheon and thence to my dentist's, where till dinner. To dinner, a frugal one, with Reinald Werrenrath the singer and he told me one merry story that made me to laugh loudly, and I told him one as good, too. At my little desk until eleven, whence home and to-bed.

Yesterday's news from Washington was to the sphere and water jumps are the danger spots for effect that 400 women workers, clad in costumes representative of their trades, were received by the President. "They were led," continues the wire, "by Miss Marguerite Hinchey, a laundry worker." Query: What was Miss Hinchey's costume?

Why, Asks I. E. D., Is It That

The wily scamp or local bandit, The gunman, too, in sooth..... Turns out to be, eternally, "A MILD APPEARING YOUTH"?

Until the money men pay to the hat-check brigands is allowed for income tax exemption, we shall continue to mallet away that this is an unjust

ALSO, THERE SHOULD BE DEDUCTED WHAT YOU SPEND FOR-

Newspapers Books of Verse Artichokes

Paper-Cutters Parsnips Insurance.

"To the Freshmen and others who did not hear him last year," says the Wellesley College News, speaking of Alfred Noyes, "this [the forecast of a reading of his poems) will come as a welcome announcement." Showing what Wellesley thinks of

BANG! BANG!

Gridley stood in the conning tower One day in May in Manila Bay. He heard his chief, George Dewey, say: "You may fire when you are ready."

You've sent some wheeze to The Conning Tower, It never has seen The Light of Day. It was carefully canned by F, P. A., For he FIRES when he is ready.

Children Live.

Once I evolved, with toil and pain, Two princely children of the brain;

A Gloster,-drunk with fame and power-Murdered those children, in The Tower!

"Nets of silver and gold have we," Said Income, Blinkem & Nod.

THAT QUAINT OLD ROMAN CUSTOM (From the Buffalo Commercial.) William Davenport, who opened a vein in his wrist with he intention of committing hard-kard the way the Roman of old did it;

A cynical acquaintance of the Tower's-dear, dear, one runs into all kinds-has the notion that the Carolina, of the proud title of Pitchfork Wielder to government experts are going to try to skin citizens

> Income-taxidermists, as one might call it a night's work with.



THE PEOPLE'S COLUMN

Aldermen:

An Open Forum for Public Debate.

You Can't Keep Servants, So Why Should You Vote?

To the Editor of The Tribune. Sir: Perhaps some of the estimable readers ladies who urge woman suffrage through the People's Column of The Tribune will enlighten me on these two points:

First-In exactly what way will women, if given the ballot, solve the new problems created by woman's invasion of the indus-

Second-Why have women not been able to solve the one industrial problem with which they are most directly concernedthe problem of household labor?

I am led to ask these questions because of the great difficulty experienced by so many housewives in keeping servants, even during periods like the present, when

THE HEROISM OF KUEHN A Testimonial for His Self-Sacrifice Is Urged.

To the Editor of The Tribune. Sir: I have been watching for some intimation that the heroism of young Fera woman passenger would receive some words of praise. It would have been brave to do so if he were a good swimmer, to go down into the deep ocean with only a chance of rescue, but to deliberately prepare for almost certain death by the plunge in the darkness into the icy waters that paralyze every limb in a few moments-that was heroic. The Carnegie medals have been given for far less. An appeal for subscriptions for a substantial testimonial of popular appreciation of his self-sacrifice would, I think, meet with generous response, and while such a tes-

would like to add my little mite to it. Rosebank, Staten Island, Feb. 1, 1914.

timonial could not heal his parents' grief

it would surely give them a little com

THE WOODEN GUNS OF ULSTER

A Story of Their Artful Display to a Suspected Spy.

To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: I have received a cutting from your paper, which is headed "Ulstermen's Guns Toys," and desire to correct some statements relating to a supposed "sergeant of the royal artillery." This peron did not "offer his services," but ap plied for a paid position as instructor, and in consequence he was viewed with sus-In addition to this he said he belonged to the Legion of Frontiersmen. but Colonel Driscoll, commanding the L. O. F., states that no one of the "sergeant's" name is on the roll of that battalion. Consequently the Bangor coningent of the Ulster Volunteer Force were quite justified in not showing him anything but wooden guns, and as he was refused a paid position he returned to which he appears to have entrapped your special correspondent.

As so much drivel is appearing in the American press on this Home Rule question, I trust you will publish this letter from one on the spot, who knows the inside of the situation. THOMAS H. MAYES.

Ulster Reform Club, Belfast, Jan. 17,

Beware the Red Herring! To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: I have read The Tribune for twenty years and I like it better now than ever before, and the more independent and

I like the way you go after the grafters. man, Mr. Sulzer and Mr. Hennessy. They the history of the state. Don't let Barnes and Murphy draw the mate fools?

red herring across the trail of the graft- New York, Jan. 31, 1914.

A CHALLENGE TO HOUSEWIVES fers. The taxpayers want a state-wide investigation by a non-partisan Assembly committee that will probe to the bottom, unish the grafters and remedy the evils Fight for this and you will do more than anything else you can do to please you JACOB LASSITER.

OUR ALDERMEN AND THE SENATE

Comparison of Decorum Is All in Favor of the Former, It Is Asserted.

New York, Jan. 31, 1914.

To the Editor of The Tribune. Sir: In your account yesterday of an "Uproar in the United States Senate" your Washington correspondent takes the following fling at the New York Board of

"Confusion swept away all order from the debate. Senators were on their feet Has the colonel himself been loyal to all over the chamber, some trying to get those planks, or has he condoned recognition and some speaking without pudiation of some of the more signifisembled the New York Board of Alder- his heart and eulogized, or, worse, h

upon recollection of scenes occurring in indisputable. the Board of Aldermen prior to this year be asked of any legislative body. To and nation-wide Presidential prefer point the argument, I suggest that you primaries. Now, those who had the pri dinand Kuchn in giving up his lifebelt to drop in some Tuesday afternoon at one lege of listening to a debate at the Ca of our meetings and then take the Con- Club late in Mr. Hughes's administrate more substantial recognition than mere gressional Limited down to Washington as Governor, at which the subject and similarly observe the proceedings of direct nominations was discussed, will a the United States Senate, and compare call that while Judge Wadhams, later the two. I am confident you will find in favor of the Aldermen, or call it a draw. Taft, took the affirmative: the man Maybe, if Jove nods some day in the made the principal speech in opposit Board of Aldermen, a careful chronicler might aver that "for a few minutes the

> the United States Senate.' HENRY H. CURRAN. New York, Feb. 2, 1914.

APATHY IN THE G. O. P.

ort. If such a subscription can be made One of the Rank and File Exhibits Impatience.

To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: Pardon the impertinence of one of the rank and file of the Republican party. but down here and elsewhere the uninitiated are becoming impatient with what seems to be the apathy of the leaders of the G. O. P.

Wilson is going to have his troubles. Outlook's" report) that as a rest and we Republicans must be in shape to that decision Ives was competed to take advantage of them, to the end that "the party of prosperity" shall once more

run the country WILLIAM AGNEW PATON. Lakewood, N. J., Jan. 30, 1914.

From a Male "Anti." To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: May a mere male venture an argument against woman suffrage? It is this: If we give women the vote, is there not the probability that they will enact laws permitting them to dress even less de cently than they do now? The morals of society hang in the balance. Useless to fight against the social evil if women are

by flaunting the sex appeal in dress-or

PRO ARIS ET FOCIS (Sic). New York, Jan. 28, 1914.

Civilizing Villa.

To the Editor of The Tribune. Sir: This is too much. It is press-

the lack of dress.

agenting run wild. They have trotted out that unspeakable Villa in an olive-tinted khaki uniform and pictured him reading a little book, procured from United States army officers, called "The Ethics of International Warfare." Whereupon Villa is made to announce that hereafter civilized warfare would be "ado; ted by the rebels" progressive it becomes the better it will Of course, the book idea was intended to impress our scholarly President, although we are not told who the author of the The Tribune should back up Mr. Whit- quaint volume is or that Villa cannot read a word in Spanish, let alone English, In have done more and are doing more for publishing such truck, do the newspapers thrown on the colonel's inc honest government than any other men in really do it for the fun of the thing, or on his misstatements of facts on 19 do they believe the people FRANK GUARD

A Republican Protests Strenuous

ROOSEVELT AND THE PARTY

That Progress Does Not Lie the Way of the Colonel.

Sir: The man who looks out on therea-

To the Editor of The Tribune.

bled political sea with a clear vision leng to discriminate between professions be ever vociferous, and actual conde Words may be brave-as were those ! Colonel Roosevelt when he proclaime that none would be received into the Progressive ranks except he unequivon ly adopted every plank of their platform do doubt meaning that adopted at C cago in 1912. On that point an appeal very recent history seems imperati he repudiated any of them in actual coe

For a few minutes the Senate re- of them by men whom he has taken This comparison was undoubtedly based duct himself? The answer is easy rd of Aldermen prior to this year Your correspondent, Mr. Baldwin, or The order and decorum of the not have forgotten that Planks 1 and 1 d present board, however, are all that could that platform favored direct primar ardent advocate of the re-election of X

and in favor of retaining the comas the best method of arriving at the New York Board of Aldermen resembled of the people was Mr. Woodruff, Brooklyn, who in 1912 supported X Roosevelt's third term aspirations was credited with having conducted Brooklyn so remarkably successful campaign for the colonel that the colo took him to his heart and ignored b incongruity that he repudiated plans I and 2 of the platform. In the lat of this, how specious the colone's

> admitted to the Progressive fold exce he adopted every one of those planks But further. Mr. Baldwin will no to remember the colonel's comment of Court of Appeals decision in the case. He said in his Ohio Constitut Convention speech in 1912 (I refer to The "stagger through life maimed." depri of the power to earn a livelihood. If Mr Baldwin will refer to the report of that decision in 201 New York Reports he will find that Ives's extreme claim was deages for five weeks' loss of time! To

colonel's story of his having been

pelled to "stagger through life mained

cent proclamation that none should

was pure invention-as really fiction any tale in Baron Munchausen. Once more. Does Mr. Baldwin ciate the colonel's practical repudiate of plank 53 of the Chicago platfer Does he recall that during the auti of 1912 President Emeritus Eliet of B vard charged that the colonel helped defeat the "avaluable arbitration " ties" with France and England negotia by the Taft administration? That d after his objection that there were tions, like the Monroe Doctrine, the United States never would arb was completely met by the unan adoption of Mr. Root's motion of a ate resolution excepting from the tion of the treaties purely Ame questions the colonel still mainti

jected unless they accepted every of their platform! Doubtless there are many Progress -Mr. Baldwin among them-who sin ly believe, notwithstanding almost a berless paradoxes and contradictions, the colonel really represents some issue. But from day to day light

his opposition, never relaxing the

tensity of it? Yet he pretentiously

sion to the Progressive fold would be

claimed that new supplicants for a

GEORGE R. BISHO New York, Jan 20, 1914

and other matters.